

MUST RETAIN STANDARDS OF CHILD WELFARE WORK

Disastrous Effects of Exemptions From Labor Regulations in Foreign Countries Pointed Out.

MORE CHILDREN IN COURT

Local Provisions Necessary for Protection of Babies and Mothers to Replace Wastage of Life in War. Adequate Milk Supply Essential.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, January 1.—The increasing necessity for maintaining standards of child welfare during war times was pointed out today by the children's bureau in a New Year's warning calling the attention of American citizens to the disastrous effects of exemptions from child labor regulations in foreign countries.

"Foreign experience shows that countries which have permitted special exemptions from child labor standards," the statement says, "have almost without exception regretted them as both injurious to the children and inefficient as regards industrial results. The immediate penalty has been a swelling stream of child offenders pouring through the courts.

"Protection of babies and little children and of their mothers—a first essential in war time to reduce the wastage of human life on the battle field—demands local provision for adequate nursing and medical care. Federal protection not being available as yet, the full burden rests with each State and community. Shortage and high prices of milk in many communities also is a matter of grave concern.

"Upon each community also must lie the responsibility for seeing that mothers are not driven by want to leave their children and go to work. The father's wages must keep pace with the high prices, and if he is called to the army and the family's separation allowance is inadequate, the community cannot afford to shift the burden of the burden of supplementing this allowance. Also, for the widows of civilians and their children, if the State provides the mother's pension, the mother's work is a costly substitute.

"Neither must the burden of support nor the pressure of demand for labor be allowed to rest upon the children themselves. The children's bureau during the new year will systematically enforce its enforcement of the Federal child labor law, but school attendance requirements, many forms of child labor not included in the law, and the bureau urges the importance of maintaining in each State the highest standards of training and of protection."

MISS CORBELL KILLED

Young Norfolk Woman Loses Life When Street Car Hits Automobile.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
HAMPTON, Va., January 1.—Miss Mildred Corbell, twenty years old, of Norfolk, was instantly killed, and Miss Grace Davis, of Foxhill, was painfully injured to-night when a car of the Newport News and Hampton Railway Company collided with an automobile. Sidney Johnson, of Foxhill, who was driving the car, escaped without injuries. The trolley car hit the automobile in the rear, and Miss Corbell was thrown under the front fenders and dragged nearly 100 feet. She was dead when taken from under the car. Miss Corbell, who resided at 216 Fourteenth Street, Norfolk, was spending holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Marshall Johnson, in Foxhill. Miss Davis' injuries are believed serious.

B. & O. CUTS OFF TRAINS

Shenandoah Valley Division Schedules Annulled to Permit Engines Clear Brunswick Terminals.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, Va., January 1.—No passenger or freight train was operated on the Shenandoah Valley division of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad from last night until tonight in compliance with orders emanating from Director-General McAdoo, requisitioning all available engines for clearing the Brunswick and other terminals of congested freight trains.

Train service was annulled without notice to the public, and as a result many people whose holiday leaves had expired found themselves marooned here. The only trains furnishing accommodations were on the Cumberland Valley Railroad, one going out early this morning and one arriving to-night. The Baltimore and Ohio operated an east-bound and west-bound train to-night.

FIRE WRECKS WAREHOUSE

Attempt to Thaw Frozen Oil Results in \$10,000 Loss to Putniski.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PULASKI, Va., January 1.—Fire this morning destroyed the pattern warehouse of the General Chemical Company's machine shop, and also a number of valuable machine patterns and materials. The loss is placed at \$10,000.

The fire started when an attempt was made to thaw machines of oil in a container, a spark falling into a pool of frozen oil. The entire plant was threatened, but only damage resulted.

WALL—LUCAS.

WINCHESTER, Va., January 1.—An announcement was made today of the marriage in Washington on Saturday evening of Mrs. Mary Virginia Lucas, widow of W. R. Lucas, and a former manager of the Hotel Evans, to William Taylor Wall, a wealthy Winchester business man. The bride was formerly Miss Hawkins of Rappahannock County.

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No Yellow Streak in This Youngster

Suggestion of Cowardice Causes American to Show Real Mettle.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE

JANUARY 1.—The merest suggestion that he was afflicted with a "yellow streak" sent the youngest soldier of a certain regiment through the ordeal of the hardest test of training today. He passed with flying colors.

His company was going through the final gas mask drill in a gas-filled chamber. The soldiers call it the "chamber of horrors."

When it came his turn to go through this drill, the youngster, who had been kidded continually by his comrades about the "dangers" in the gas chamber, which, in fact, he only filled with fear gas, dropped in a dead faint at the entrance. The company's captain looked at him the moment the youth had come back to life. Said the captain with a contemptuous sneer:

"Well, so you're yellow-streaked, eh?"

The young soldier straightened up, saluted and asked permission to try again. This second time he succeeded in passing through the chamber, but fainted while coming out. The captain for a third opportunity, which was granted. On the third trial he passed through the ordeal, emerging safely, and even managed to smile. The captain congratulated him immediately, withdrawing his charge of "yellow streak."

SEVERAL N. & W. TRAINS ARE TO BE DISCONTINUED

Others Between Lynchburg, Roanoke and Winston-Salem Will Become Single Trains.

PETERSBURG, Va., January 1.—In order to meet the requirements of the national government, the Norfolk and Western Railway Company proposes to discontinue for the present some of its local passenger trains. Among these are trains 22 and 30, between Lynchburg and Petersburg, and 7 and 8, between Petersburg and Lynchburg.

The trains will be local between Lynchburg and Roanoke and Lynchburg and Winston-Salem. The company out this purpose a conference will be held with the Corporation Commission on January 10.

Strict Sanitary Measures.

Following rigid sanitary inspection throughout the zone around Camp Lee, which includes Petersburg and Hopewell, instructions have been given that the soldiers of the division, the command should not patronize restaurants, soft drink fountains, barber shops, etc., unless such places carry a public health certificate. The order is to be strictly enforced, even to the extent, if necessary, of stationing a guard at the doors of such places as do not carry them. It is stated that a number of restaurants in Petersburg may be forced out of business through the operation of the order, especially such as may have unclean surroundings and service.

Explosion in Kitchen Range.

The busiest men in the city just now are the plumbers, as the result of a water pipe frozen during the cold spell. Many of them have orders to three days ahead. The pipes in the kitchen range of the home of Mrs. Wirt Robertson, on Colonial Heights, Chesterfield, exploded with such force when the fire was kindled yesterday, as to wreck the range and considerably damage the kitchen.

General News Notes.

The employees of the National Bank of Petersburg were hospitably entertained last night at the home of President R. B. Jones.

An account of shortage of coal the public schools of Petersburg and Electric will not reopen until January 7. During December the city, through relief commission furnished 341 loads of wood to the poor, which prevented much suffering.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Vincent, of Emporia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen, to Lieutenant Edwin Vincent, of the Twenty-eighth Infantry, now stationed at Newport News. The marriage will take place the latter part of January.

James L. Campbell, of Richmond, income tax inspector for Petersburg and Hopewell, and the Counties of Dinwiddie and Prince George and Camp Lee, will be here for some time to help persons in making their income returns.

The Bohemians of the Prince George colony held a patriotic meeting last night at their hall, five miles from Petersburg. The attendance was large, and addresses were delivered by R. H. Mann and C. L. Suerden, of this city. The Bohemians here are loyal to the United States and have shown their loyalty by liberally subscribing to Liberty bonds and by equipping several of their young men to go to France to fight for Democracy.

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SAYS SEPARATE PEACE WOULD ENSLAVE RUSSIA

Petrograd Correspondent of London Daily News Wonders if Danger Is Realized.

ASKS AID FOR DEMOCRACY

Foreshadows Further Leaving of Ministry by Men From Other Parties Joining Government—People Won't Continue to Submit.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON, January 1.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News wonders whether the danger of a separate peace is realized in England. He says it would be a defeat for German democracy in addition to insuring permanent enslavement of Russia, as it would be a victory for the military caste in Germany.

"It may mean," he adds, "much more than Russia's neutrality. If we make no move, it seems possible that the Germans will ask the Russians to help them in enforcing Russian peace terms on the entente allies. Trotsky is well aware of the danger, though faced with the necessity of concluding peace and is doing his utmost to stimulate a revolution in Germany. Fraternization at the front already has passed beyond control of enemy officers, and the democratic movement in Germany is helping the Russians to force the German government in the direction it has had to take."

CHANCERY TRUST DEEDS.

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WILL MOVE COAL TRAINS IN PASSENGER TUNNELS

Director-General McAdoo Orders Pennsylvania Railroad to Relieve New York City.

TO USE TUBES UNDER HUDSON

Formal Order of Suspension of Government Priority of Transportation Is Sent Out by Lovett to Hasten Fuel Traffic.

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